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HOG AND PIG INVENTORY

There were 1,150,000 hogs and pigs on Pennsylvania farms on June 1, 2010. This estimated inventory was 30,000 head or 2.7 percent more than the March 2010 inventory, and unchanged from the June 2009 inventory. Market hog inventory, at 1,050,000 head, increased 25,000 head since March; while breeding stock inventory, at 100,000 head, was up 5,000 head from March and 10,000 head above last June. The March-May 2010 pig crop totaled 470,000 head, up 60,000 head from a year earlier, and up 14,000 head from the December 2009-February 2010 pig crop. There were 48,000 sows farrowed during the quarter, 6,000 more than the previous year. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 48 percent of the breeding herd. The average litter rate was 9.80 pigs saved per litter, up 0.10 pig per litter from March, and up 0.05 pig from the 9.75 pigs per litter in June the previous year. Pennsylvania hog farmers intend to have 49,000 sows farrow during the June-August 2010 period, 7,000 more than actually farrowed during the same time period a year ago; and 49,000 sows farrow during the September-November 2010 quarter, 3,000 more than actually farrowed in the September-November period one year ago.

The U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on June 1, 2010, was 64.4 million head. This was down 4 percent from June 1, 2009, but up 1 percent from March 1, 2010. Breeding inventory, at 5.79 million head, was down 3 percent from last year, but up slightly from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 58.6 million head, was down 4 percent from last year, but up 1 percent from last quarter.

The March-May 2010 U.S. pig crop, at 28.2 million head, was down 3 percent from 2009, and down 2 percent from 2008. Sows farrowed during this period totaled 2.87 million head, down 5 percent from 2009 and down 6 percent from 2008. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 50 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs saved per litter was a record high 9.81 for the March-May 2010 period, compared to 9.61 last year. Pigs saved per litter by size of operation ranged from 7.70 for operations with 1-99 hogs and pigs to 9.90 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs and pigs. U.S. hog producers intend to have 2.89 million sows farrow during the June-August 2010 quarter, down 2 percent from the actual farrowings during the same period in 2009, and down 6 percent from 2008. Intended farrowings for September-November 2010, at 2.90 million sows, are down 1 percent from 2009 and down 4 percent from 2008. The total number of hogs under contract owned by operations with over 5,000 head, but raised by contractees, accounted for 44 percent of the total U.S. hog inventory, down from 46 percent last year.

SOURCE: *Quarterly Hogs and Pigs*, 3:00 p.m., June 25, 2010, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA; available at www.nass.usda.gov.

June Agricultural Survey Results

This issue contains results from the 2010 June Agricultural Survey. We wish to thank those farm operators who help make these reports possible.

HOGS & PIGS: INVENTORY NUMBER, JUNE 1, 2009-2010

Item	Pennsylvania			United States		
	2009	2010	2010/09	2009	2010	2010/09
	(000) Head		Percent	(000) Head		Percent
Inventory - June 1:						
All Hogs & Pigs	1,150	1,150	100	66,809	64,400	96
Kept For Breeding	90	100	111	5,968	5,788	97
Market	1,060	1,050	99	60,842	58,612	96
Market Hogs & Pigs By Weight Groups:						
Under 60 Pounds	320	295	92	19,554	18,879	97
60-119 Pounds	350	360	103	17,838	16,877	95
120-179 Pounds	205	195	95	12,604	12,279	97
180 Pounds and Over	185	200	108	10,847	10,578	98
Sows Farrowing:						
December ¹ -February	40	47	118	3,011	2,901	96
March-May	42	48	114	3,018	2,875	95
June-August ²	42	49	117	2,959	2,890	98
September- November ²	46	49	107	2,915	2,899	99
Pig Crop:						
December 1/-February	390	456	117	28,552	27,873	98
March-May	410	470	115	29,012	28,199	97
	Number			Number		
Pigs Per Litter:						
December 1/-February	9.75	9.70	99	9.48	9.61	101
March-May	9.75	9.80	101	9.61	9.81	102

¹ December preceding year. ² Intentions.

SOURCE: *Quarterly Hog & Pigs*, 3:00 p.m., June 25, 2010, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA; available at www.nass.usda.gov.

JUNE FARM PRICES RECEIVED INDEX DOWN 2 POINTS

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in June, at 139 percent, based on 1990-1992=100, decreased 2 points (1.4 percent) from May. The Crop Index is down 5 points (3.3 percent) and the Livestock Index decreased 1 point (0.8 percent). Producers received lower prices for cattle, onions, hogs, and wheat and higher prices for lettuce, milk, turkeys, and cucumbers. In addition to prices, the overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Increased monthly marketings of wheat, grapes, hay, and cantaloups

offset decreased marketings of oranges, strawberries, cattle, and sweet corn.

The preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 6 points (4.5 percent) from June 2009. The Food Commodities Index, at 139, decreased 3 points (2.1 percent) from last month but increased 9 points (6.9 percent) from June 2009.

SOURCE: **Agricultural Prices**, 3:00 p.m., June 29, 2010, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA; available at www.nass.usda.gov.

PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS, SELECTED COMMODITIES, JUNE 2010

Commodity	Unit	Pennsylvania			United States		
		Jun 2009	May 2010	Jun 2010 ¹	Jun 2009	May 2010	Jun 2010 ¹
Dollars							
Corn	Bu.	4.38	3.79	3.76	4.01	3.48	3.38
Wheat, Winter ²	Bu.	-	-	-	5.47	4.21	3.66
Oats.....	Bu.	3.23	2.60	2.58	2.37	2.19	2.02
Barley ²	Bu.	-	-	-	4.70	4.25	3.63
Soybeans ²	Bu.	-	-	-	11.40	9.41	9.39
Hay, Dry All	Ton	135.00	147.00	125.00	123.00	116.00	114.00
Dry Alfalfa	Ton	157.00	130.00	145.00	128.00	121.00	119.00
Dry Other.....	Ton	130.00	115.00	120.00	107.00	99.70	99.10
Apples, Fresh Use	Lb.	-	0.346	0.393	0.181	0.318	0.308
Cows, Slaughter	Cwt.	47.40	55.50	54.80	45.40	59.20	58.20
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	80.50	92.70	91.10	84.90	99.70	95.70
Calves	Cwt.	105.00	101.00	101.00	109.00	122.00	121.00
Barrows & Gilts.....	Cwt.	41.90	58.30	53.90	43.70	62.40	57.90
Sows	Cwt.	36.30	58.80	56.10	32.80	57.00	54.20
Sheep.....	Cwt.	37.60	59.00	-	28.90	46.10	-
Lambs	Cwt.	121.00	128.00	-	104.00	123.00	-
Eggs ³	Doz.	0.420	⁶	⁶	0.389	0.441	0.422
Milk, Fluid Grade	Cwt.	12.90	16.90	-	11.30	15.10	15.80
Manufactured Grade ⁴ ...	Cwt.	-	-	-	10.40	13.70	13.70
All	Cwt.	12.90	16.90	17.90	11.30	15.10	15.80
Milk Cows ⁵	Head	-	-	-	-	-	-

¹ Preliminary. ² Pennsylvania price not published on monthly basis, average price is published annually. ³ Market (table) eggs, including eggs sold retail by the producer.

⁴ PA is no longer published due to insufficient manufacturing grade milk volume. ⁵ Quarterly (Jan., Apr., Jul., Oct.). ⁶ PA is no longer publishing monthly Market Egg prices.

SOURCE: **Agricultural Prices**, 3:00 p.m., June 29, 2010, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA; available at www.nass.usda.gov.

EGG PRODUCTION

Egg production in Pennsylvania during May 2010 totaled 587 million eggs, up eight percent from the 544 million eggs produced in May 2009. The total number of layers averaged 23.5 million during May, a five percent increase from last year. Production per 100 layers was 2,494 eggs during the month, an increase of 72 eggs overall from May 2009. Broiler-type chicks hatched in Pennsylvania totaled 13.7 million during May 2010, down four percent from the same month last year.

SOURCE: **Chickens and Eggs**, 3:00 p.m., June 22, 2010, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA; available at www.nass.usda.gov.

TART CHERRY PRODUCTION

Pennsylvania's 2010 tart cherry production is forecast at 2.30 million pounds, 41 percent below last year's production of 3.90 million pounds and down 41 percent from 2008.

U.S. tart production for 2010 is forecast at 195 million pounds, 46 percent below 2009 production and down 9 percent from 2008. Michigan, the largest producing state, expects a crop of 140 million pounds, down 47 percent from the 2009 crop and 15 percent below 2008.

SOURCE: **Cherry Production**, 8:30 a.m., June 17, 2010, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA; available at www.nass.usda.gov.

MONTHLY POULTRY SUMMARY

Item	Unit	Pennsylvania			United States		
		May 2009	Apr 2010	May 2010	May 2009	Apr 2010	May 2010
Layers	Thous.	22,457	23,539	23,535	337,116	339,946	337,867
Eggs Per 100 Layers	Number	2,422	2,426	2,494	2,456	2,220	2,276
Eggs Produced	Million	544	571	587	7,607	7,548	7,690
Chick Hatch-Broiler Type	Thous.	14,339	13,282	13,707	789,812	767,225	797,833
Chick Hatch-Egg Type ¹	Thous.	-	-	-	40,758	47,503	43,075
Turkey Poults Placed	Thous.	-	-	-	22,892	24,546	23,967

¹ April 2009 state level data for egg-type chicks hatched will no longer be published.

SOURCES: **Chickens and Eggs**, 3:00 p.m., June 22, 2010, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA; available at www.nass.usda.gov.

Turkey Hatchery, 3:00 p.m., June 16, 2010, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA; available at www.nass.usda.gov.

CROP PROSPECTS – JUNE 1, 2010 WITH COMPARISONS

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Crop	Year	Pennsylvania				United States				Unit
		Acreage (000)		Production		Acreage (000)		Production		
		Planted	Harvested	Per Acre	(000)	Planted	Harvested	Per Acre	(000)	
Corn.....	2009	1,350	920 ¹	143.0	131,560 ³	86,482	79,590 ¹	165.2 ³	13,151,062 ³	Bu.
	2010	1,350	940 ¹	³	³	87,872	81,005 ¹	³	³	Bu.
Wheat, Winter	2009	190	175	56.0	9,800	43,311	34,485	44.2	1,522,718	Bu.
	2010	170	155	²	²	37,723	32,085	²	²	Bu.
Oats	2009	110	80	61.0	4,880	3,404	1,379	67.5	93,081	Bu.
	2010	110	85	²	²	3,176	1,315	²	²	Bu.
Barley	2009	60	45	75.0	3,375	3,567	3,113	73.0	227,323	Bu.
	2010	60	50	²	²	2,972	2,546	²	²	Bu.
Soybeans.....	2009	450	445	46.0	20,470	77,451	76,372	44.0	3,361,028	Bu.
	2010	470	465	³	³	78,868	77,986	³	³	Bu.
Hay, Dry Alfalfa	2009	-	500	2.90	1,450	-	21,227	3.35	71,030	Ton
	2010	-	450	³	³	-	20,732	³	³	Ton
Hay, Dry Other	2009	-	1,050	2.10	2,205	-	38,528	1.98	76,412	Ton
	2010	-	1,100	³	³	-	38,924	³	³	Ton
Tobacco, All	2009	-	8.2	2,276	18,660	-	354.2	2,325	823,290	Lbs.
	2010	-	8.5	³	³	-	327.3	³	³	Lbs.

¹ Harvested for grain, remainder of planted acres for silage and other uses. ² Not available until July. ³ Not available until August.

SOURCE: **Crop Production**, 8:30 a.m., June 30, 2010, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA; available at www.nass.usda.gov.

JUNE ACREAGE

The estimates of planted and harvested acreages in this report are based primarily on surveys conducted the first 2 weeks of June.

Based on acreage planted by June 1, 2010 and intended acres that remained to be planted, the Keystone state's farmers expect to harvest more acres of barley, corn grain, oats, soybeans, and tobacco than in 2009. Fewer acres of wheat are expected to be harvested in 2010, while all dry hay acreage for harvest is expected to be unchanged.

Corn acreage planted for all purposes is estimated at 1,350,000 acres, unchanged from last year. Growers expect to harvest 940,000 acres of corn for grain, up 20,000 acres from a year ago. Soybean acreage planted is estimated at 470,000 acres, up 20,000 from last year. This is a record high for soybean acres planted in Pennsylvania. Ten percent of this year's soybean acres are expected to be planted following another harvested crop, unchanged from last year. Soybean acreage for harvest is estimated at 465,000 acres for 2010, up 4 percent from the 445,000 acres harvested last year.

Oat acreage planted in 2010 is estimated at 110,000, unchanged from a year ago. Growers expect to harvest 85,000 acres for grain, which is 5,000 acres more than last year. Winter wheat acreage to be harvested for grain is estimated at 155,000 acres, down 20,000 acres or 11 percent from last year. Barley acreage for harvest, at 50,000, is up 5,000 acres or 11 percent from 2009.

All acres for harvest of dry hay in 2010 are estimated at 1,550,000, unchanged from last year. Alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures for dry hay, at 450,000 acres, are down 50,000 acres or 10 percent from last year. All other dry hay, at 1,100,000 acres, is down 50,000 acres from last year.

Tobacco acres for harvest increased 4 percent from a year ago with growers expecting to harvest 8,500 acres, compared to 8,200 acres last year. Of these acres, 2,200 acres are expected to be Southern Maryland type tobacco, 2,100 acres of Pennsylvania seedleaf type tobacco, and the remaining 4,200 acres expected to be light air-cured burley tobacco.

At the United States level, the 2010 corn planted area for all purposes is estimated at 87.9 million acres, up 2 percent from last year. Growers expect to harvest 81.0 million acres for grain, also up 2 percent from last year. Farmers responding to the survey indicated that 99 percent of the intended corn acreage had been planted at the time of the interview compared with the 10-year average of 98 percent.

The 2010 soybean planted area is estimated at 78.9 million acres, up 2 percent from 2009. Planted area increased from last year in 18 out of 31 States, and is the largest U.S. planted acreage on record. Area for harvest is forecast at 78.0 million acres, also up 2 percent from 2009, and will also be the largest on record, if realized.

The 2010 winter wheat planted area is estimated at 37.7 million acres, down 13 percent from 2009 but up slightly from the previous estimate. Area harvested for grain is forecast at 32.1 million acres, down 7 percent from last year. Area seeded to oats for the 2010 crop year totaled 3.18 million acres, down 7 percent from the previous year and the lowest on record. Growers expect to harvest 1.32 million acres, down 5 percent from 2009. Producers seeded 2.97 million acres of barley for the 2010 crop year, down 17 percent from the previous year. This is the lowest barley seeded acreage on record, well below the previous record low of 3.45 million acres established in 2006. Harvested area, forecasted at 2.55 million acres, is down 18 percent from 2009, and if realized, will be the lowest since 1883.

Producers intend to harvest 59.7 million acres of all hay in 2010, down slightly from 2009. Expected harvested area of alfalfa and alfalfa mixtures, at 20.7 million acres, is down 2 percent from 2009. Expected area for harvest for all other types of hay totals 38.9 million acres, up 1 percent from 2009.

United States all tobacco area for harvest in 2010 is estimated at 327,270 acres, down 8 percent from 2009. Acreage decreases from 2009 in flue-cured, fire-cured, and burley more than offset increases in dark air-cured, Southern Maryland belt, and cigar type tobacco.

SOURCE: **Crop Production**, 8:30 a.m., June 30, 2010, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA; available at www.nass.usda.gov.

GRAIN STOCKS

Pennsylvania's **corn** stored in all positions on June 1, 2010 was 38.3 million bushels, up 3.8 percent from last year's level of 36.8 million bushels. On-farm corn stocks amounted to 31 million bushels the same as last year. Off-farm stocks were 7.3 million bushels.

Wheat stored off farms totaled 6.5 million bushels, down from last year's total of 7.4 million bushels. **Soybeans** stored off farms totaled 1.9 million bushels down 24 percent. **Barley** stored off farms was 308 thousand bushels, down 19,000 bushels. **Oats** stored in all positions were 1.3 million bushels, 1.1 million on farm and 234 thousand off farm.

Pennsylvania's on-farm stocks of corn and oats are the only two commodities published; all other commodities are not published separately but instead are included with an unallocated National total.

For the **United States**, **corn** stocks in all positions on June 1, 2010 totaled 4.31 billion bushels, up 1 percent from June 1, 2009. Of the total stocks, 2.13 billion bushels are stored on farms, down 3 percent from a year earlier. Off-farm stocks, at 2.18 billion bushels, are up 6 percent from a year earlier.

a year ago. The March - May 2010 quarter indicated disappearance is 3.38 billion bushels, compared with 2.69 billion bushels during the same period last year.

Soybeans stored in all positions on June 1, 2010 totaled 571 million bushels, down 4 percent from June 1, 2009. On-farm stocks totaled 233 million bushels, up 3 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 338 million bushels, are down 9 percent from last June. Indicated disappearance for the March - May 2010 quarter totaled 699 million bushels, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

All **wheat** stored in all positions on June 1, 2010 totaled 973 million bushels, up 48 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks are estimated at 210 million bushels, up 49 percent from last year. Off-farm stocks, at 763 million bushels, are up 48 percent from a year ago. The March - May 2010 quarter indicated disappearance is 383 million bushels, down slightly from the same period a year earlier.

SOURCE: **Grain Stocks**, 8:30 a.m., June 30, 2010, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA; available at www.nass.usda.gov.

PENNSYLVANIA & UNITED STATES: GRAIN STOCKS - JUNE 1, 2010 WITH COMPARISON

Grain	Year	Pennsylvania			United States		
		On Farms	Off Farms ¹	Total All Positions	On Farms	Off Farms ¹	Total All Positions
		(000) Bushel					
Corn	2009	31,000	5,842	36,842	2,205,400	2,056,027	4,261,427
	2010	31,000	7,255	38,255	2,131,400	2,178,644	4,310,044
Wheat.....	2009	²	7,389	²	140,745	515,760	656,505
	2010	²	6,508	²	209,200	763,492	973,392
Soybeans	2009	²	2,453	²	226,300	369,859	596,159
	2010	²	1,930	²	232,600	338,417	571,017
Barley	2009	²	327	²	27,010	61,723	88,733
	2010	²	308	²	40,440	74,701	115,141
Oats.....	2009	1,200	410	1,610	17,480	66,619	84,099
	2010	1,100	234	1,334	17,600	62,747	80,347

¹ Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals and processors. ² Included in U.S. totals.

SOURCE: **Grain Stocks**, 8:30 a.m., June 30, 2010, National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA; available at www.nass.usda.gov.

County estimates for 2009 can now be found online for hay, barley, corn, oats, soybeans and wheat.

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